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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed January 18, 2007, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks. Applicants submit herewith a Petition for Extension of Time for one month from April 18, 2007 up to and including May 18, 2007. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account 13-2755 for the Petition fee and any other required fees.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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